

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Arnold-Gorsuch House Survey Number: ^{CARR}~~CR~~-1367

Project: Westminster Bypass Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name Date

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended X

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The property known as the Arnold-Gorsuch House is located at 920 Hook Road, on the east side of MD 32, north of Fenby, south of Westminster, Carroll County, MD. The property, consisting of a primary residence (1885); a barn (1912); a number of recently constructed sheds, and a contemporary brick dwelling is not considered eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Arnold-Gorsuch House is a two-story frame dwelling built in 1885 by Anthony and Emma Arnold. Built into a slight hillside, the house is elevated upon a raised foundation level on the front, and built into the hillside at the rear. It is covered with a gable roof, with two interior end chimneys. A single-story porch with turned columns extends across the facade, while a two-story frame ell with a gable wing projects from the rear wall of the main block of the house. The barn is a large, two-story frame structure set upon a stone foundation and covered with a wide gable roof. The windows are segmental arched and louvered. The house is representative of the late 19th-century rural domestic buildings of the period and the barn is typical of Carroll County barns of the early 20th century. The property lacks the architectural distinction necessary to qualify it for listing on the National Register under Criterion C. The property is not known to have any associations with persons or events significant to our past, and is thus not eligible under Criteria A or B.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance Files

Prepared by: Rita Suffness, Cultural Resources Group Leader, SHA, June 2, 1993

Kimberly Prothro Williams June 17, 1996
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: X yes no not applicable

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Reviewer, NR program

4/21/97
Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input type="checkbox"/>	Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown Period (<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Political
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/>	Military
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: _____

Arnold-Gorsuch House
Westminster
Carroll County

CARR-1367

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery Counties,
and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930 A.D.

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:

Agriculture
Architecture

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Environment: Rural

Function & Use:

Domestic/Single dwelling/residence

Agriculture/Subsistence/animal facility/barn

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

**MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Survey No. CARR-1367

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Arnold-Gorsuch House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 920 Hook Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Westminster ☐ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Nellie Gorsuch

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber 637

street & number folio 730

city, town state

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

ate ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☐ good

☒ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SEE CONTINUATION 7.1

8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-1367

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1885-1914-Present Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

SEE CONTINUATION 8.1

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1367

Personal communication with Mr. Gorsuch

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

Diagram A shows three empty coordinate axes. The first axis is labeled 'Zone' and has two tick marks. The second axis is labeled 'Easting' and has four tick marks. The third axis is labeled 'Northing' and has four tick marks.

B

Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Rita Suffness, Leader, Cultural Resources Group
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organization Maryland State Hwy. Administration date March 7, 1993

street & number 707 N. Calvert Street telephone 410-333-1183

city or town Baltimore state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Arnold-Gorsuch House
Continuation Sheet 7.1

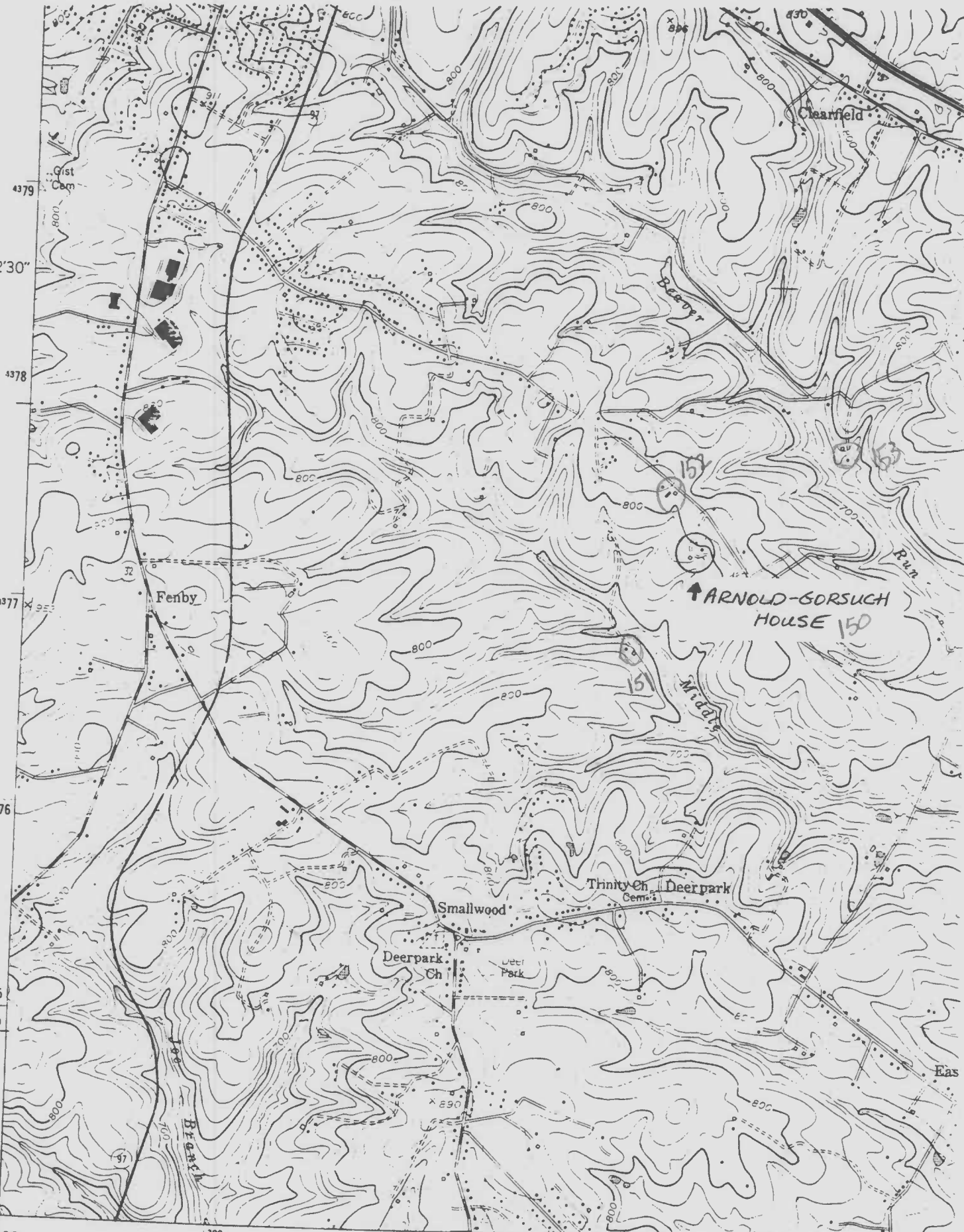
Description

This site is composed of an 1885 frame house with a 1914 addition, a 1912 barn, and a number of recently constructed sheds, and a contemporary brick residence. The oldest building on the site is the frame, ell-shaped dwelling, constructed by Anthony and Emma Arnold in 1885. Built into a slope on the northwest side, the southeast elevation is the entrance facade, containing four bays on the first floor with two centered entrances, and three bays on the second floor. There is a standing seam metal roof and a full width porch across the front supported on a concrete block foundation. The barn is a typical Carroll County frame barn with louvered windows. It was heavily renovated in 1986. The house is reported to have been heavily altered on the inside with plaster board replacing original plaster, wood paneling, etc.

Arnold-Gorsuch House
Continuation Sheet 8.1

Significance

The two period buildings on this modest farmstead are typical turn-of-the century structures--an ell-shaped dwelling and frame barn, built between 1885 and 1912. It passed from the Arnold family who originated the farm to a related branch, the Gorsuchs, in 1954. The site lacks integrity, largely because of the poorly maintained, frame agricultural buildings, of recent construction, and the generally poor condition of the dwelling, plus the reported severe modification to the dwelling interior.



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Edited and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, and USSCS
Topography from aerial photographs by...

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WESTMINSTER
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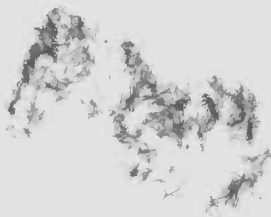
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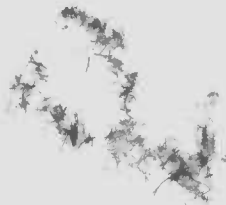
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